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Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on February 16, 2007 has been entered.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Edward R. Freedman on April 30, 2007.

Claim 1 has been amended as follows:

--:-- has been placed after the word "comprising" on line 2.

The phrase "wherein the apparatus further comprises:" on line 20 has been deleted.

On line 22 the word "conveyi8ng" has been replaced with --conveying--.

Response to Amendment

The amendments to the claims filed on February 16, 2007 have been entered.

Allowable Subject Matter

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Claims 1,3,4 and 7 are allowed.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Charles A. Fox whose telephone number is 573-272-6923. The examiner can normally be reached Mon-Thurs between 7:30-4:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Patrick Mackey can be reached at 573-272-6916. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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